

## House Republican Press Release

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### **Rep. Cafero Cited for Legislation Supporting Children**



HARTFORD – House Republican Deputy Leader state Rep. Lawrence F. Cafero of Norwalk has been named an Outstanding Legislator by two organizations serving children for his record in support of youth.

Cafero received the Excellent Service to Children award from the Unitarian Society of Hartford and the Shared Parenting Council of Connecticut at a ceremony in the state Capitol.

John Clapp, chairman of the Board of Directors of Shared Parenting Council of Connecticut, in presenting the award said of Cafero, “The board recognizes your vision and your ability to pass legislation that benefits the children of Connecticut.”

Clapp cited Cafero’s support for two specific laws that he helped enact last year: one dealt with child custody during divorce proceedings and the other reformed arbitration rules for family relations.

Cafero said he was honored to be cited for his record on matters regarding children and pledged to continue working to make a difference in Hartford for families that confront serious challenges.

“I know how important it is to do everything we can to help preserve families and look out for the best interests of our children in every imaginable instance,” Cafero said. “I have tried to play a leading role in fashioning reasonable legislation that recognizes the rights and roles of parents and protects our youth.”

Cafero has also been recognized for his working to reduce substance abuse and creating successful mentoring programs.

“We can make a difference in the lives of our children, as teachers, role models and mentors. I appreciate all the good work that groups such as the Unitarian Society of Hartford and the Shared Parenting Council do in helping young people will continue to make progress in strengthening Connecticut families,” Cafero said.